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TOWNS/CITIES	SIZE	APPROXIMATE POPULATION
STRATFORD-UPON-AVON	very small	17,000
LITTLEHAMPTON		
BATH		
CAMBRIDGE		
LIVERPOOL		
BIRMINGHAM		
LONDON		

b Ask and answer.

A: How big is Stratford-upon-Avon?
B: It's very small.
A: How many inhabitants has it got?
B: About 17,000.

LANGUAGE ACTIVITIES

Writing

Completa le didascalie sotto le foto delle città. Se necessario, fa riferimento alla cartina delle British Isles a p. 157 e al grafico della pagina precedente.

Stratford-upon-Avon is a _____ _____ town in the _____ of England. It is the birthplace of Shakespeare and _____ 17,000 _____ .

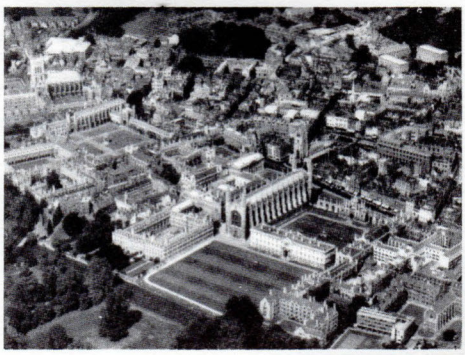
Littlehampton is a _____ town in the south _____ . It is a famous holiday resort and _____ 20,000 _____ .

Bath is _____

_____ .

It is famous for its Roman baths and

_____ 81,000 _____ .

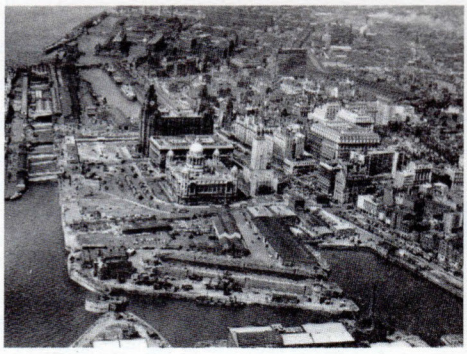


Cambridge is _____

_____ with 95,000 inhabitants.

It is famous _____

University.



Liverpool is a _____

city in the _____

with 247,000 _____

It has a very big port.

Birmingham _____

_____ .

It _____ 1,106,000 _____

and is an industrial city.

London is _____

_____ .

It is the capital of Great Britain and

_____ 7,379,000 _____ .

Reading

NEW YORK CITY

New York City is the largest city in the United States. It has 8,000,000 inhabitants and is one of the largest cities in the world. There are five districts: Manhattan, Brooklyn, The Bronx, Queens and Staten Island, and it is located on a large natural harbour where ships are always safe from storms.
New York is full of contrasts. There is great wealth and poverty. There are tall, modern skyscrapers and small, old houses; elegant streets glittering with neon signs and dark alleys full of rubbish.
Hundreds of thousands of people work in the heart of the business district. But not all of these people live in New York. Many live in distant places such as Long Island, New Jersey or Connecticut, and the towns where they live are called suburbs. Every day half a million workers come to New York from the suburbs. Also many visitors from the United States and other countries are attracted by its museums, theatres, concert-halls, libraries, and by its magnificent buildings. Many of them climb up to the top of the Twin Towers or the Empire State Building, or enjoy a breathtaking view of New York from the top of the Statue of Liberty.

Leggi attentamente "New York City" e, facendo uso delle informazioni in esso contenute, completa il brano seguente.

New York is a very large city with _____

It has five districts: _____

_____ , and a large

natural _____ . The city has tall, modern skyscrapers

but also _____ . It has elegant

streets but also _____ . Hundreds of thousands

of workers come to New York from towns in _____

_____ . These towns are called

_____ . New York is full of theatres, _____

_____ and _____ and also of magnificent buildings

such as _____ and _____

_____ . Many visitors enjoy a view of New York from the top of the

_____ .

An aerial view of Manhattan.

NEW YORK

The Statue of Liberty ▶

A riddle

As I was going to St. Ives,
I met a man with seven wives.
Each wife had seven sacks,
Each sack had seven cats,
Each cat had seven kits,
Kits, cats, sacks, and wives,
How many were going to St. Ives?

LANGUAGE WORK

Per sapere la provenienza di una persona puoi chiedere:

LW1

Where do you come from? = Da dove vieni?

I come from England. = Vengo dall'Inghilterra.

Which town do you come from? = Da quale città vieni?

From Reading. = Da Reading.

Scrivi 8 brevi dialoghi simili a quello riportato nell'esempio.

Example: Tim - U.S.A. (Scarsdale).

A: Where does Tim come from?
B: He comes from the U.S.A.
A: Which town does he come from?
B: From Scarsdale.

1. Carol - England (London).
2. Your friends - Australia (Sydney).
3. You and your family - Italy (Rome).
4. Tatiana - U.S.S.R. (Moscow).
5. You - Italy (Florence).
6. Pablo - Spain (Madrid).
7. Amy and Bruce - Illinois (Chicago).
8. You and your brother - Italy (Milan).

LW2

Where's Reading? = Dov'è Reading?

It's in the south of England. Near London. = È nel sud dell'Inghilterra. Vicino a Londra.

Per indicare la posizione di una città si può fare uso dei punti cardinali.

north = **nord**
south = **sud**
east = **est**
west = **ovest**

Basandoti sugli esempi accanto, scrivi frasi simili per le seguenti città: *Preston, Birmingham, Naples, Paris, Milan, Bath, Ipswich, Worcester.*
Se non ricordi la posizione delle città, controlla sulla cartina a p. 157 e sul tuo atlante geografico.

Examples:

London is in the south of England.
Reading is in the south of England near London.

LW3

How far is it to Piccadilly Circus? = **Quanto dista Piccadilly Circus?**

It's not far. It's half a mile away. = **Non è lontano. È a mezzo miglio.**

How far is it from London to York? = **Quanto dista Londra da York?**

It's quite a long way. It's 197 miles away. = **È abbastanza lontano. Sono 197 miglia.**

a quarter of a mile = un quarto di miglio
half a mile = mezzo miglio
one and a half miles = un miglio e mezzo
two miles = due miglia

Trascrivi in lettere le distanze in miglia nei cartelli a p. 159.

LW4

How big is York? = **Quantè grande York?**

It's a small town. = **È una cittadina.**

How many inhabitants has it got? = **Quanti abitanti ha?**

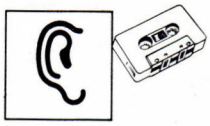
About 100,000. = **Circa 100.000.**

Basandoti sul dialogo accanto, scrivine altri tre sostituendo a York le seguenti città: Stratford-upon-Avon, Cambridge e Birmingham.
Per sapere le distanze da Londra usa la *Mileage Chart* a p. 160 e per sapere il numero degli abitanti e la grandezza delle città usa il grafico a p. 162.

A: How far is York from London?
B: It's about 200 miles.
A: And how big is it?
B: It's a small town.
A: How many inhabitants has it got?
B: About 100,000.

Scrivi in lettere i seguenti numeri:

65,000	125,000	360,000	1,500,000
55,280	2,000,000	21,785	999,999



A LOOK AT THE STATES

At Miss Bennet's house. Tim and his friends are in the sitting-room. It is raining outside.

PETER: Tim, why don't you show us your American slides?

TIM: Oh, yes, if you like.

ALL: Yes, come on.

TIM: O.K. John, Peter, can you help me to fix the screen?

JOHN: Yes...

(They fix screen)

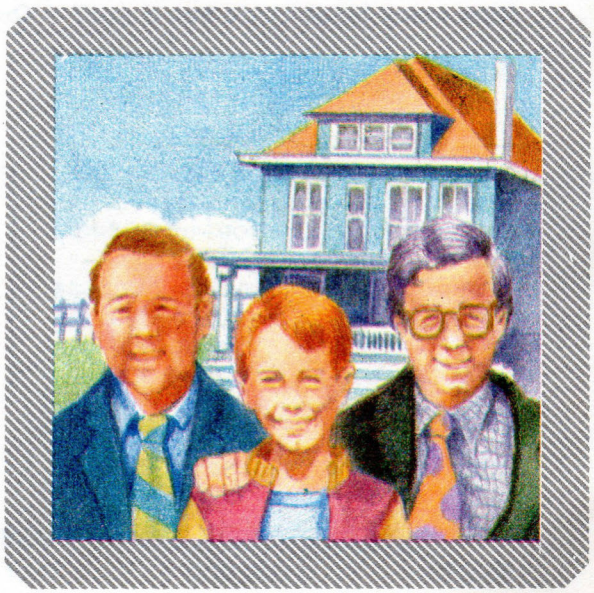
PETER: Here we are!

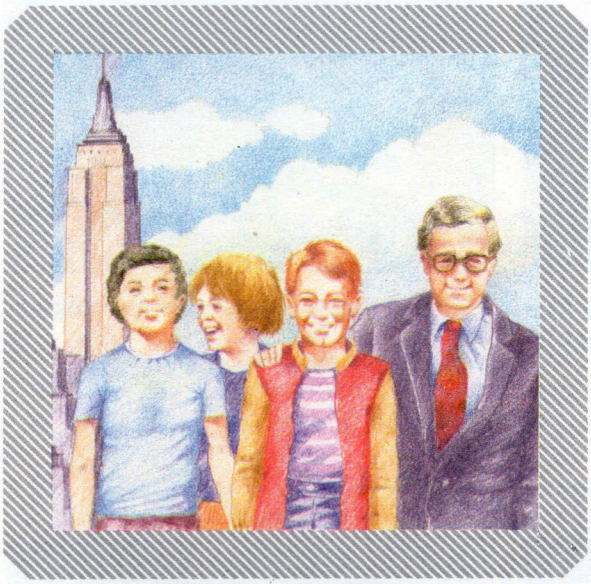
(First slide)

TIM: Now, look! This is the place where I live.

CAROL It's very nice!

TIM: Oh, yes! And you can see two men in the garden. The one on the right is my father. The other one is my uncle.



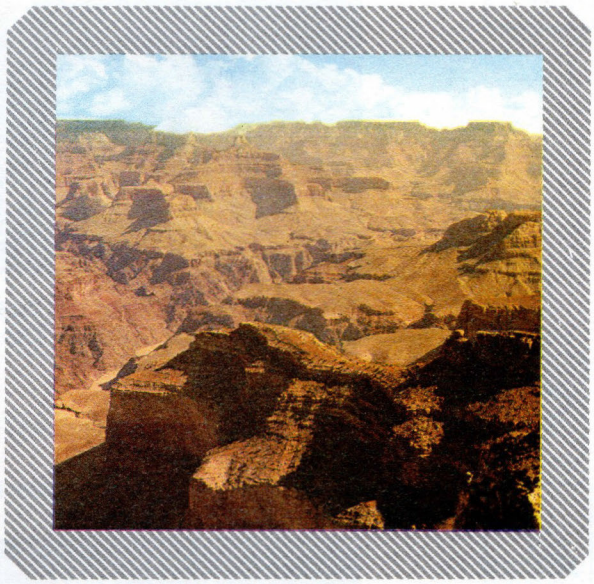


(Second slide)

TIM: And this is New York!
The children on the left are my schoolmates.

JOHN: What's that building on the left?

TIM: Oh, that's the Empire State Building.



(Third slide)

CAROL: That must be the Grand Canyon!

TIM: Yes, it is. Last year we went to Arizona in summer.

MISS BENNET: What about a nice cup of tea?

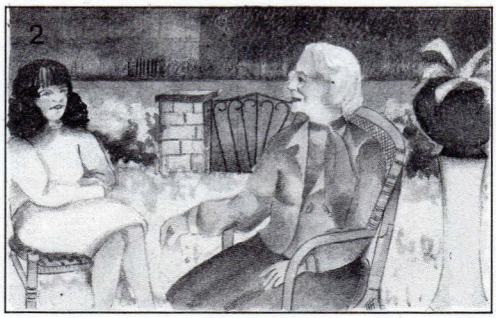
PETER: Oh yes, thanks Miss Bennet.
Let's have a break.

TASK 1

Locate people

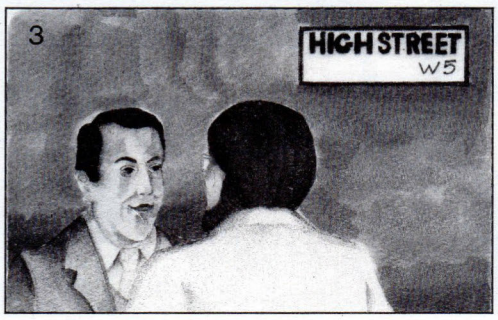
a Leggi.

There are two boys at the bus-stop. The one on the right is Peter. The other one is John.



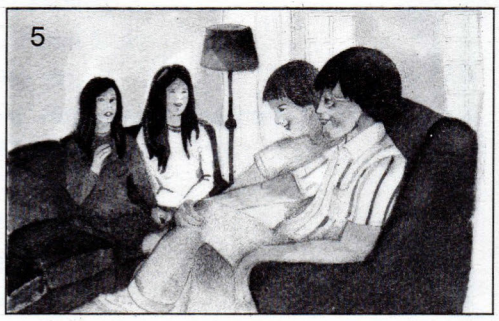
You can see two ladies in the garden. The one on the left is Mrs Kelly. The other one is Miss Bennet.

b Completa le frasi sotto i disegni.



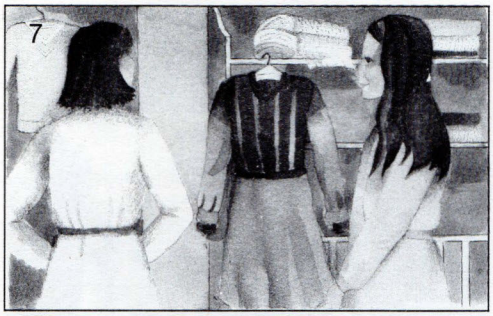
You can see two men in High Street. The one on the right is _____ The other one is _____ .

There are two women in Oak Way. The _____ on the left is _____ . The other one is _____ .



There are _____ children in the sitting-room. The one on the right is _____ .

There are two ladies in the garden. The one on the left is _____ . The other one is _____ .



Do you know the two girls in the shop? The one on the right is _____ . The other one is _____ .

Do you know the two boys in the park? The one on the left is _____ . The other one is _____ .

c Usa i disegni in **a** e **b**.

A: Who are the two boys at the bus-stop?
B: The one on the right is Peter. The other one (The one on the left) is John.

Make suppositions

TASK 2

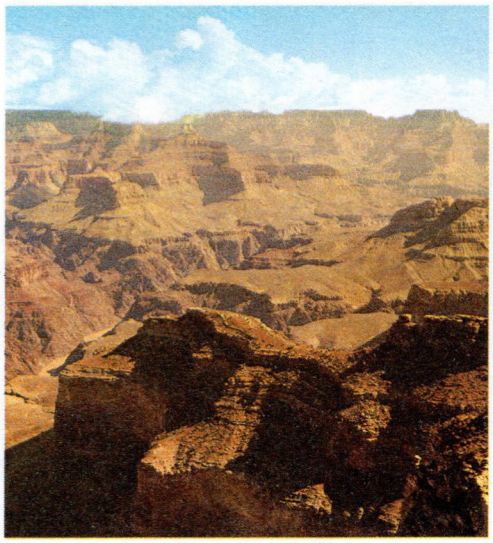
a Ecco alcune vedute degli U.S.A. Di quali città o stati si tratta? Scrivilo negli spazi scegliendo fra:
Washington / New York / San Francisco / St Louis / Arizona / California.

The Empire State Buiding

_____

The Golden Gate

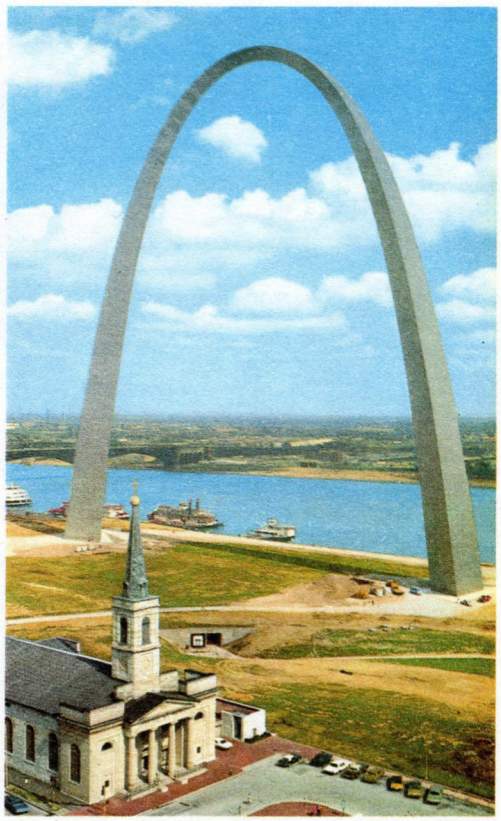
_____



The Grand Canyon

The White House

Disneyland



The Gateway Arch

b Usa le didascalie in **a**.

A: Look! That must be the Empire State Building!
B: Oh yes. It's in New York.